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BOARD DIPLOMA EXAMINATION, (C-20)

MAY—2023

DCE - FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION

ENGLISH

Time : 3 Hours ]

[ Total Marks : 80

PART—A

3×10=30

**Instructions :** (1) Answer **all** questions.

(2) Each question carries **three** marks.

1. (a) Fill in the blanks with suitable articles :

There lived\_\_\_\_\_king and\_\_\_\_\_king had a daughter.

(b) Priya has been suffering\_\_\_\_\_fever\_\_\_\_\_the last three days.

( Fill in with appropriate prepositions )

(c) (i) Give prefix for the word : 'understand'

(ii) Write suffix for the word : 'excite'

2. (a) Choose the synonym for the word : Scared

(b) Choose the antonym for the word : Respect

\* (c) Give the contextual meaning of the *italicized* word in the following :

\* He was *terribly* injured.

3. (a) Fill in with proper form of adjective given in the bracket :

Sushma is one of the \_\_\_\_\_(clever) girls in the class.

- (b) Ramesh can run faster than Suresh.

( Change into positive degree )

- (c) English is the most spoken language in the world.

( Change into comparative degree )

4. Fill in the blanks with proper helping verbs based on the clue given in the brackets :

- (a) You \_\_\_\_\_come home early. (obligation)

- (b) I \_\_\_\_\_play volleyball in my school days. (past habit)

- (c) The train \_\_\_\_\_arrive after a couple of hours. (probability)

5. Fill in the blanks with suitable form of the verbs given in brackets :

- (a) She \_\_\_\_\_(complete) the lunch just now.

- (b) Listen! Somebody \_\_\_\_\_(knock) the door.

- (c) The train had left before he \_\_\_\_\_(reach) the station.

6. Change the voice of the following sentences :

- (a) Sita is plucking the flowers.

- (b) Amar had won the prize.

- (c) She can catch the ball.

**7.** Rewrite as directed :

(a) He was going to college.

( Change into a negative sentence )

(b) Renuka bought a bag.

( Make a question using 'what' )

(c) She has completed the work.

( Change into Yes/No )

**8.** Change the speech of the following :

(a) Varun said, "Honesty is the best policy".

(b) Neeraja said to me, "Have you watched this movie?"

(c) My mother asked me where I was going.

**9.** Rewrite as directed :

(a) He was too weak. He attended the meeting.

( Combine into one sentence using "though" )

(b) Suguna is rich. She doesn't spend a pie.

( Combine the two sentences into one simple sentence )

(c) Work hard and then you will get promotion.

( Change into a complex sentence )

**10.** Rewrite the following sentences after making necessary corrections :

(a) I am believing you.

(b) Roads of Vizag are wider than Tadepalligudam.

(c) Measles have broken out in our area.

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**PART—B**

8×5=40

**Instructions :** (1) Answer **all** questions.(2) Each question carries **eight** marks.**11.** (a) Write a paragraph on your father's daily routines.**(OR)**

(b) Write a paragraph on how English enhances your employability opportunities.

**12.** (a) Construct a dialogue between you and the executive of the customer care centre of your mobile service provider as the signal strength in your area is very weak.**(OR)**

(b) Construct a dialogue between you and your Principal requesting him to arrange a watercooler to have clean and cool drinking water.

**13.** (a) Write a letter to your junior who is appearing for S.S.C Exam, explaining the advantages of studying an Engineering Diploma course.**(OR)**

(b) Write a letter to the APSRTC Depot Manager of your town, requesting him to provide city buses from railway station and main bus stand to your college as per convenient timings.

**14.** (a) Write an essay on the environmental pollution and measures to protect our environment.

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**(OR)**

(b) Write an essay on one or two inventions of the 20th Century that made peoples' lifestyle easier and comfortable.

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15. (a) Read the following paragraph and answer the questions that follow :

The word rupee comes from the Sanskrit term 'Rupya' or 'Rupa' which means silver. The very early coins before the second century BC were all made of silver but the coins were neither of any standard weight nor had any face or value printed on them. It was Sher Shah Suri who first gave the name 'rupia' to the silver coins. The last silver coins were minted in 1940 with the face of King George VI on them. In 1942 the silver coin was replaced by a cupro-nickel coin for the first time. Money was invented by man to get power but now money has become more powerful than man. All over the world, money and power go together. The more money a person has, the more successful he is judged to be. A rich man is accepted by society even if he is corrupt or evil.

The man works hard to earn more and more money and saves a lot of it. He thinks that money will give him more freedom to enjoy himself and to have lots of fun. He thinks he will not be anyone's slave but be his own master. But soon he becomes the slave of money. The more he has, the more he wants. He is never satisfied with what he has got but always wants something more even though he knows that in the end, he cannot carry anything with him. Money can buy everything but it cannot buy peace or happiness or a ticket to heaven.

- (i) With which material the early coins were made of?
- (ii) In which year the cupro-nickel coins came into existence?
- (iii) What has money become now?
- (iv) What is willingly accepted by society from a rich man?
- (v) Why does man earn and save money?
- (vi) What is the man with more money judged to be?
- (vii) Why is the man not satisfied with the money he has?
- (viii) What are the things that cannot be bought with money?

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**(OR)**

(b) Read the following poem and answer the questions that follow :

I looked at the lone leaf on the tree, when it fell from the tree, as  
free as free can be

I opened my palm to see, if it would land in it safely  
it fell in the breeze freely, going wherever it wanted to be  
it would come near me, but whenever i extended my palm  
it would sway furiously away from me  
I closed my eyes and opened to see,  
some withered fragments under tourists' feet.

- (i) Where does the poet stand and what does he watch?
- (ii) Why does the poet open his palm?
- (iii) What happens when the poet extends his palm?
- (iv) What is the final destination of the leaves?

### **PART—C**

10×1=10

- Instructions :**
- (1) Answer the following question.
  - (2) The question carries **ten** marks.
  - (3) Answer should be comprehensive and the criterion for valuation is the content but not the length of the answer.

**16.** Imagine that you have witnessed a bore well incident in which a small boy fell. Write an analytical report on how the efforts were actually made to rescue the boy and how the rescue operation could be made better.

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